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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed November 30, 2004, the time for reply having been extended by the attached petition until May 2, 2005 (April 30, 2005 being a Saturday), please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.